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Asst. Commissioner for Pater ts Washington, DC 20231

Attn: Patent Application Branch

RE:

Filing of Patent Application

"EXPRESS MAIL" LABEL NUMBER: EL175652547US

Our File: B208-1095

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing is a patent application of Hirofumi Takei for a WHITE BALANCE CORRECTING DEVICE, the application comprising a Specification of 27 pages; 21 numbered Claims, including 6 Independent numbered Claims; 11 sheets of Formal Drawings (Figures 1-14); an Abstract and our check in the amount of \$942.00 in payment of the filing fee, which has been calculated as follows: \$690.00 base filing fee; \$234.00 for Six Independent Claims in excess of three and \$18.00 for One Dependent Claim in excess of twenty.

A "Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application" will be filed at a later date.

Claim will be made under 35 U.S.C. § 119 for the benefit of the filing date of Japanese Patent Application Nos. Hei 11-158564 (filed June 4, 1999), a certified copy of which will be filed in due course.

Authorization is given for the charging of any further fee for effecting filing to our Deposit Account 18-1644.

Respectfully submitted,

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